



PUBLIC NOTICE

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Brenda K. Argoe, Clerk of Court



TO: Practitioners/Constituents

SUBJECT: Chapter 12 Legislation

DATE: May 16, 2001

On May 11, 2001, the President signed H.R. 256 (Public Law 107-8, 115 Stat. 10), an act extending chapter 12 of title 11 of the United States Code for an additional eleven months from its previous expiration date of July 1, 2000. As a result, chapter 12 has been extended until June 1, 2001, and has been made retroactive to July 1, 2000. Thus, new chapter 12 cases can be accepted for filing starting May 15, 2001, through close of business on May 31, 2001. Cases that were filed under other chapters in the period from July 1, 2000, through May 15, 2001, can be converted to chapter 12. The filing fee for a chapter 12 case remains at \$200.

A provision to make chapter 12 a permanent chapter of the Bankruptcy Code is contained in both the House and Senate versions of the pending bankruptcy reform legislation.